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Fourth of July Reflections

by Esther J. Perne



Relaxing, low-key, no pressure to gift-give or visit or travel somewhere better. The 4th of July is a great opportunity to stay here, to take the day, the holiday, and enjoy what's nearby.

What's nearby are some beautiful lakes and rivers and streams, trails for all levels of exertion and heights of view, parks and playgrounds and picnic areas seemingly scattered everywhere, recreational and social activities outdoors all day and a simple structure of patriotic celebrations that everyone loves.

Everyone loves a parade, lemonade, flags flying high, floats going by and friendly crowds,



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mixing toddlers and oldsters and all the in-betweens, children excited, families unseparated, people from away and people who have never left and never will leave their home region.

Never to leave, except some of them did in the quest for their country and their heirs to be free and they didn't return to this place they loved and left, and that's why crowds sit on the side of the road, or river, watching a parade or quite contrarily individuals seek solitude among the calming waterways, the quiet trails, the peaceful parks. Either observance: a choice, a freedom.

The 4th of July with its mouth-watering cookouts and color bursts in the sky marks a large world-change in independence, but the holiday also announces that summer is really here, a summer that is still young.

From the 4th there stretch ahead days that are long and warm and activities that beckon. This is the year not to ignore all those summer outings and experiences that await, that maybe have awaited for years. Start today, start with the 4th. Enjoy what's nearby!



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Lowe's Heroes Prepare Monument Park Volunteers Prepare Purnell Wrigley Field for Sports Legends Monuments



Many thanks go out to a team of Lowe's Heroes who arrived at Purnell Wrigley Field on Mathews Avenue in Waterville to lay brick at the Field's Monument Park. Beautiful stone structures honor local sports legends like John Winkin, collegiate baseball coach at Colby and the University of Maine, and one of the founders of Waterville Little League; and Clyde Sukeforth, the Maine native who signed Jackie Robinson to the Brooklyn Dodgers. Doing the work to beautify the monuments' home are some very special volunteers



Lowe's wants to help people love where they live, which is why they encourage employees to volunteer and have a positive impact on their communities. For the past 10 years the Lowe's Heroes program has motivated employees to team together, adopt a volunteer project with a local nonprofit organization or public school and make a difference. Project Manager, Steve has chosen Monument Park at Purnell Wrigley Field to help make his team's positive impact, much to the delight of Ken Walsh, CEO of the Alford Youth Center and driving force behind the field's development.

"Lowe's, through the Boys & Girls Clubs Renovation Across the Nation program, has granted over \$100,000 to local projects over the past two years!" says Ken. "That's what community is all about. Not just grants, but guys like Steve devoting his time to improve this community space...and just in time for the Cal Ripken Little League World Series Game that's being held at the field in 2020!"

Steve added, "When we saw this amazing field we couldn't wait to help give Monument Park it's much needed finishing touches."

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—The Luckiest Boy—

The Day the Ents Attacked

by Rod Johnson

The storm of October 30th, 2017, brought an incredible low pressure system that worked its way into New England. The resulting near-hurricane force winds on the heels of four inches of rain, caused catastrophic damage throughout the entire region. Our own Maine communities were not spared and in some cases the destruction was beyond imagination.

Descriptions of the carnage from homeowners, weather people, emergency providers and so on varied, but in one particular family's case, their perceptions of what happened to the family cottage takes us to the fantasy world of J.R.R. Tolkien's books where ENTS exist. They are intelligent beings that are the shape of GIANT talking trees and have various jobs and functions. One role they have been known to play is "Shepards of the

Trees", who protect all the trees from the dwarfs. In other roles they have been portrayed to be less benevolent and are capable of being VERY DESTRUCTIVE.

The family I speak of above is the Pentlarge-Radik family who have, for several generations, owned a lovely old log cabin neatly hidden away on the Mill Stream in Belgrade Lakes. After being alerted that their beloved heirloom had sustained major damage, the family arrived with friends from their Massachusetts homes to see the devastation and assess the damage. A flood of feelings, including shock, awe, grief and loss can only describe the psychological state that overtook the owners and their friends. Six large pines lay atop the multi-pitched roofs of the grand old lady lodge, and as if to add one more slap in the face, the forces had laid down four more on the tiny log garage.

What I personally saw in the pictures that Mara Pentlarge sent out was carnage, causing a true sense of loss. To see such an iconic, well-built log structure crippled to such an extent seemed like a horrible shame. My first thoughts were that it was a total loss and irreparable from any practical standpoint. After several days of revisiting the pictures and seeing other homes and camps that were damaged in varying amounts, it seemed that our little lake village would never be quite the same. I was personally enlightened and can only imagine the family was ecstatic when Kevin Hawes skillfully removed all the trees from both buildings and G and L Builders concluded that they could repair the major damage.

Bottom line is that the ENTS may have won the battle by badly pummeling the century old log structure, but the old girl refused to give in and crumble. With her sheer will, coupled with log walls, hemlock framed and boarded roofs, the Granddame won the war. May she live for many more centuries—and may the ENTS behave themselves for many years to come.

Kennebec River Day June 30: Activities for All Ages

Kennebec River Day, Saturday, June 30, 11 am-4 pm, in Mill Park in Augusta will offer activities targeted for all ages and will include 3 stages: a Family Fun Stage with dance, drumming and dog demos, a Country Music stage and an Air National Guard performance stage.

Other activities of the day will include a broad range of children's activities, demos, face painting, dozens of games, wagon rides, a few crafts vendors and many food vendors. There will be over a half dozen participants in the Touch-A-Truck display. The rain location will be the Augusta Civic Center.

All attendees are encouraged to bring blankets, lawn chairs, sunscreen, and good walking shoes. For more information visit www.AugustaMaine.com or call 623-4559.

Also in Mill Park on June 30, the Kennebec River Brewfest will begin at 11 am. A 21+ event, the Brewfest will have VIP entry for \$50 (\$55 at the door) at 11 am, General Admission for \$20 (\$25 at door) at noon and Designated Driver \$5.



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— Take It Outside —

The week began with a Father's Day picnic at Wolfe's Neck Woods State Park in Freeport with two of my kids and their families, which happened to include both my grandchildren, as well as my grandkids' "other grandparents," Rem and Taylor Briggs. We hiked the perimeter Harraseeket Trail, a roughly 2-mile loop and then had a picnic lunch on the beach overlooking Casco Bay. The weather was perfect, the trails scenic and well-groomed and a good time was had by all. It was "Maine Day" at the park, with free admission for all Maine residents so we had plenty of company, especially as the day wore on. It is a beautiful park and well worth a visit.

My friend, Mike Guarino, who used to write this column, spent Father's Day fishing on Messalonskee Lake with his daughters, Elena and Kate. Kate is a Pre-veterinary student at the University of Vermont and Elena is a junior at Messalonskee HS, doing well on the girls' soccer team. The girls each caught a couple of nice smallmouth. Earlier in the week, Mike, the new President of Friends of Messalonskee Lake, had been involved in the rescue of a loon on the lake that had gotten tangled in fishing line and couldn't feed. He helped capture the loon along with another friend of mine, Rob Jones, the President of the East Pond Association and ded-

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Fishing and Hiking

by Pete Kallin



Grandkids, Nathan and Maddy, with Uncle Avery, and Rem and Taylor Briggs at Wolfe's Neck.



Mike Guarino's daughters, Kate and Elena, with nice Father's Day bass

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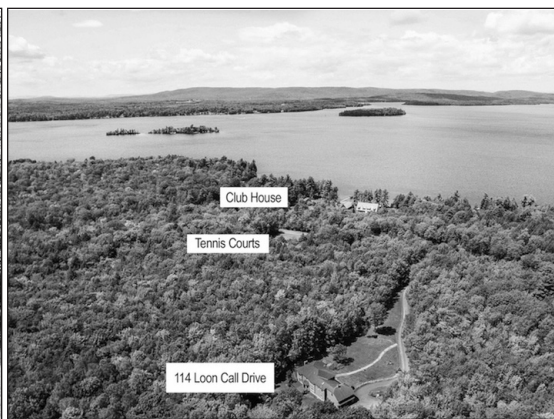


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Spacious custom home shares frontage on Great Pond



BELGRADE – "The house does look 'grand' when you're coming up the little incline of the long driveway," said listing broker Karen Ramsay-Boucher.

"And it is very eye-catching. But when you're inside, even though it's so spacious, it's completely comfortable," continued Ramsay-Boucher, who was recognized as Hoang Realty's Top Producer in 2017.

Indeed, relaxed livability is what the architect-designed, 4,503-square-foot contemporary home was built for, in 1989. It is one of only nine houses in the small Loon Cove Association. And that relaxed quality is perfectly suited to the setting on the eastern shore of Great Pond, often called the finest of Maine's renowned Belgrade Lakes.

For this home, association amenities begin with two

hard-surface tennis courts and a basketball court on the abutting lot. A very short walk away is 258 feet of shared sandy beach, with a dock and a float.

A traditional boys' camp once occupied this site, and its lodge is now the association clubhouse. The vintage-character facility looks out across the water from a covered porch; features lockers, a full kitchen, and a function room with fireplace; and can host events such as weddings.

The four-bedroom home, of course, is also great for entertaining, inside, and out, in fine weather – about a third of its 10.67 acres are lawns, with lovely gardens and handsome hardscaping, and there's a two-level deck accessed via atrium doors from both the living room and the breakfast nook.

Updates range from fresh interior paint to a new high-efficiency heating system that supplies five zones, including the skylit, cathedral-ceiling master suite. A bonus room above the garage invites finishing. The basement is already finished, with a large recreation/multi-purpose room and a potential bedroom.

The home at 114 Loon Call Drive, Belgrade, is listed for sale at \$550,000 by Ramsay-Boucher of Hoang Realty in Augusta. The price reflects a recent reduction, and the seller is motivated.

For more information or to arrange a private viewing, please contact Karen at 623-0623; 441-8186; or at ramsayrealtor@gmail.com.



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- **Farmers' Market at the Arboretum**, indoors, Friday 1-5 pm
- **Art in the Capitol**, Maine Arts Commission monthly self-guided exhibits in State House hallways (Mon-Fri 8 am-5 pm), Blaine House (call for times), and Maine Arts Commission Office (8:30am-4:30 pm), 287-6746, mainearts.maine.gov
- **Children's Discovery Museum**, CDM, hands-on displays, activities, Tuesday-Thursday 10 am-4 pm, Friday-Saturday 10 am-5 pm, Sunday 11 am-4 pm, admission, 622-2209, www.childrensdiscoverymuseum.org, 171 Capitol Street
- **Danforth Gallery**, Jewett Hall, art exhibits, UMA-1234, www.uma.edu
- **Governor's Mansion**, 1830 Blaine House, Tuesday-Thursday 2-4 pm, 287-2121, www.blainehouse.org, State Street
- **Holocaust and Human Rights Center of Maine**, Michael Klahr Center, Monday-Friday 8 am-4 pm, 621-3530, www.hhrc.uma.edu, University of Maine at Augusta, off Route 27
- **Kennebec Historical Society**, Wednesday-Friday 10 am-2 pm, 622-7718, www.kennebechistorical.org, 107 Winthrop Street
- **Maine State Museum**, Tuesday-Friday 9 am-5 pm, Saturday 10 am-4 pm, \$2 adults, \$1 ages 6-18, 287-2301, www.maine-statemuseum.org
- **Maine State House**, Hall of Flags, House and Senate Rooms, Klir Beck dioramas, Monday-Friday 8 am-5 pm, book tours at Maine State Museum, walk-ins welcome 9 am-1 pm, 287-5600, www.maine.gov, State Street
- **Maine State Library**, Monday-Saturday opens 9 am, 287-5600, www.maine.gov/msl/, State Street
- **Museum in the Streets**, walking/history tour, www.augusta-maine.gov, Water Street/downtown.
- **Old Fort Western**, 1754 fort, house, store, 1-4 pm daily, admission \$6, 4-14 years \$4, 626-2385, www.oldfortwestern.org, Cony Street
- **Riverfront Park**, boat launch, Greenway Trail, playground, eastside Kennebec River
- **Kennebec River Rail Trailhead**, Maine State Housing Authority parking lot, 623-8162, www.krrt.org, Water Street
- **University of Maine at Augusta Fitness Trail**, 2 miles of wooded trails, near Civic Center, Route 27
- **Farmers' Market at Mill Park**, Tuesday 2-6 pm, 626-2305, www.farmersmarketmillpark.org/, North Water Street
- **Farmers' Market at Turnpike Mall**, 549-5112, Wednesday and Saturday 10 am-1 pm, Western Avenue

BELGRADE LAKES

- **Belgrade Lakes Market**, 320-8303, careybor@yahoo.com, Sunday 8 am-1 pm, Main Street

- **Great Pond Mailboat**, 592-1537, Monday-Saturday 9:15 am, Post Office, Main St.
- **The Belgrade Community Center for All Seasons**, pool and lakefront, gym, playground, picnic area, rec programs, 495-3481, www.belgrademaine.com, 1 Center Drive
- **Union Church Coffee House**, check for schedule, 7:30 pm, \$5, 495-3599, www.unionchurchmaine.org, Main Street
- **Belgrade Historical Society**, 495-2973, belgradehistoricalsociety.org
- **Belgrade Lakes Market**, Sun 8 am-1 pm, Main Street
- **Peninsula Park on Long Pond**, picnic tables, Main Street
- **Maine Lakes Resource Center**, 512-5150, www.maine-lakes-resource-center.org, 137 Main Street

FAIRFIELD

- **Fairfield Historical Society**, 1890 Cotton-Smith History House, every Tuesday 9 am-12 noon and 1-4 pm and second Saturday of month, 453-2998, www.fairfieldmehistoricalociety.net, 42 High Street
- **Farmers' Market**, 948-5724, Wednesday 2-6 pm, Saturday 9:30 am-1:30 pm, Nazarene Church parking lot, 81 Main Street

FARMINGTON

- **Farmington Historical Society, Titcomb House Museum**, 778-4275, Wednesday and Saturday, 11 am-2 pm, July-August, www.farmingtonhistory.org, 118 Academy Street
- **Nordica Homestead Museum**, opera singer Lillian Nordica costumes, jewelry, mementos, 778-2042, Tuesday-Saturday 10 am-12 noon and 1-5 pm, Sunday 1-5 pm, www.lillianordica.com, 116 Nordica Lane, Holley Road
- **Contra Dance**, 491-9928, www.starleft.org 2nd Saturday of the month, all welcome, 6:30-7:30 pm family dance, 8-11 pm regular dance, admission, Grange Hall, Bridge Street, Route 43, West Farmington
- **University of Maine campus and Arboretum**, four walking tours with informal guide pamphlet to campus trees, 581-1541, www.umaine.edu/arboretum/, downtown
- **Farmers' Market**, 778-6602, Friday 9 am-2 pm, Better Living Center parking lot, Front Street; Saturday 8 am-12 noon, Main Street
- **Meetinghouse Park and Gazebo**, weekly concerts throughout summer, downtown
- **Fairgrounds**, events throughout summer, Franklin County Fair in September, High Street

GARDINER

- **Artdogs and Circling the Square Fine Art Press**, Friday 1-5 pm, Saturday 10 am-4 pm, 582-6600, www.theartdogs.com, 275-277 Water Street
- **Johnson Hall Performing Arts Center**, 582-7144, www.johnsonhall.org 280 Water Street
- **Monkitree**, art exhibits, 512-4679, www.monkitree.com, Tuesday-Friday 10 am-6 pm, Saturday 12-6 pm, 263 Water Street
- **SpinOff Studio**, 588-7297, spinoffstudio.org, Monday-Friday 8:30 am-4:30 pm, 405 Water Street
- **Farmers' Market**, 512-8022, www.gardinerfarmersmarket.org, Wednesday 2-6 pm, rain or shine, The Common
- **Kennebec River Rail Trail**, 623-8162, www.krrt.org, access near Gardiner/Randolph Bridge, 6.5 miles to Augusta
- **Waterfront Park**, picnicking, events throughout summer, Kennebec River

GREENE

- **Araxine Wilkins Sawyer Memorial**, free entertainment programs, monthly - Friday 2 and 7 pm, 946-5311, www.sawyer-foundation.com, 371 Sawyer Road, off Route 202

HALLOWELL

- **Harlow Gallery**, Kennebec Valley Art Association, 622-3813, www.harlowgallery.org Wed- Sat, 12-6 pm, 160 Water Street
- **Gaslight Theater**, 626-3698, www.gaslighttheater.org City Hall, 1 Winthrop Street
- **Museum in the Streets**, history/walking tour, www.historichallowell.org, downtown
- **Farmers' Market**, 622-1350, Sun 3-6 pm, Water Street
- **Vaughn Woods and Homestead**, 166 acre park/trails/homestead, Middle Street
- **Kennebec River Rail Trail**, www.krrt.org, to Augusta, Farmingdale/Gardiner, Water Street
- **Waterfront Park**, deck/walkway on Kennebec River, North Water Street

HINCKLEY

- **L.C. Bates Museum at Good Will-Hinckley School**, early 20th century natural history and cultural exhibits, nature trails and camps, adults \$3, up to 17 years \$1, 238-4250, www.gwh.org Wednesday-Saturday 10 am-4:30 pm, Sunday 1-4:30 pm, Route 201

KINGFIELD

- **Ski Museum of Maine**, 265-2023, www.skimusuemofmaine.org, 256 Main Street
- **Stanley Museum**, 265-2729, www.stanleymuseum.org, memorabilia/displays on photographs, violins and Stanley Steamers, Tuesday-Sunday 1-4 pm, 40 School Street

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MONMOUTH


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- **The Theater At Monmouth**, The Shakespeare Theater of Maine, Cumston Hall, 933-9999, www.theateratmonmouth.org, Main Street

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NORRIDGEWOCK

- **Norridgewock Historical Society Museum**, 1838 building, Saturday 10 am-1 pm, 634-5032, www.norridgewockmuseum.com, Mercer Road, Route 2
- **Oosoola Park**, picnic area, great playground, boat launch, on Kennebec River, Route 8

OAKLAND

- **Macartney House Museum, Oakland Area Historical Society**, 465-7549, Wednesday 1:30-4:30 pm, 1815 home with antique furnishings and Oakland artifacts, 25 Main Street
- **Town Parks**, playground, picnic tables, swimming area, boat launch area, Belgrade Road on Lake Messalonskee and McGrath Pond Road on McGrath Lake
- **Farmer's Market**, Friday 2-6 pm, 465-3094, Pine Acres Parking Lot, 895 Kennedy Memorial Drive

READFIELD

- **Readfield Historical Society and Museum** in 1853 school-house, 685-4662, www.readfieldhistorical.org, Thursday and Saturday 10 am-2 pm or by appointment, Route 17, Readfield Depot

ROME

- **Mt. Philip Grange**, suppers 3rd Sat of month, 4:30-6 pm, all you can eat beans, cornbread, rolls, chop suey, pies, Routes 135/225
- **Trails**: Mount Philip, Route 225; The Mountain, Route 27; French's Mountain and Kennebec Highlands, Watson Pond Road; for information call 495-6039 or visit www.belgradelakes.org; maps available at BRCA, 137 Main Street, Belgrade Lakes

SIDNEY

- **New England Music Camp**, concerts free and open to the public, Bowl-in-the-Pines on Lake Messalonskee, 465-3025, www.nemusiccamp.com, 8 Goldenrod Lane, Route 23
- **Sidney Historical Society**, 724-8032, www.sidneyhistoricalso-ciety.org, 2986 Middle Road
- **Silver Spur Riding Club**, horse shows, River Road, Route 104

SKOWHEGAN

- **Margaret Chase Smith Library**, residence, home, museum exhibits, 474-7133, www.mcslibrary.org, free, Monday-Friday, 10 am-4 pm, 54 Norridgewock Ave.
- **History House Museum**, 1800s local history and culture, heirloom gardens, free, Tuesday-Saturday, 10 am-4 pm, 474-6632, www.skowheganhistoryhouse.org, 66 Elm Street
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- **Farmers' Market**, Wednesday 3-6 pm, Saturday 9 am-1 pm,

weekly entertainment, 938-3906, Somerset Gristmill parking lot, downtown

SMITHFIELD

- **Fairview Grange**, 362-2791, Route 8
- **Smithfield History Society "The Groves House,"** 634-4392, 21 Lakeview Drive
- **Sunbeam Roller Rink**, 362-4951, 830 Village Rd, Route 8
- **Sunset Camps**, public beach, 362-2611, www.sunsetcamps.com, 834 Village Road, Route 8

UNITY

- **Unity College Centre for the Performing Arts**, folk genre music, 568-3147, www.unitymaine.org, 42 Depot Street

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- **Aqua City Actor's Theatre (ACAT)**, 873-7000, www.acattheatre.org. Waterville Opera House Studio Theater, Main Street
- **Museum in the Streets**, downtown history/walking tour, www.themuseuminthestreets.com/waterville.htm
- **Head of Falls Park/Two Cent Bridge**, historic foot bridge over Kennebec River connecting Waterville and Winslow, Front Street
- **Common Street Arts**, 872-2787, www.commonstreetarts.org, Wednesday through Saturday noon to 5 pm, Thursday until 6 pm, 93 Main Street
- **Colby College Museum of Art**, 859-5600, www.colby.edu/museum/ Tuesday-Saturday 10 am-5 pm, Sunday 12-5 pm, free admission, Colby College Campus, Mayflower Hill
- **Colby College Special Collections**, Miller Library, Monday-Friday 10 am-12 noon and 1-4 pm, free admission
- **Thomas College Art Gallery**, 180 West River Road
- **Waterville Historical Society and Redington Museum**, 1814 home and pharmacy, 872-9439, www.redingtonmuseum.org. Tuesday-Saturday tours at 10 and 11 am, 1 and 2 pm, 62 Silver Street
- **Waterville Opera House**, 873-7000, www.operahouse.com, 93 Main Street
- **Farmers' Market**, Thursday 2-6 pm, 680-2055, www.watervillefarmersmarket.org,

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- **Farmers' Market**, 685-4657, <http://waynefarmersmarket.weebly.com>, Saturday 9 am-noon, Town Green, at the Mill Pond, Main Street

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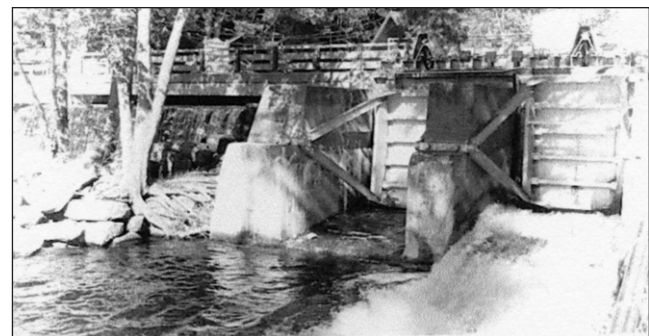
- **Wilton Farm & Home Museum**, 645-2091, 645-4578, www.thewiltonfarmandhomemuseum.org, Saturday 1-4 pm or by appointment, 10 Canal Street

WINSLOW

- **Fort Halifax on the Kennebec River**, historic fort tower, park, Route 201

WINTHROP

- **Norcross Park**, playground, picnic site, boat launch on Maranacook Lake
- **Farmers' Market**, 446-2899, Tuesday and Saturday 9 am-1 pm, town office parking lot, 17 Highland Avenue



The Dams Keeper Report

As of this writing both Great Pond, Long Pond and Salmon/McGrath, as well as most of our ponds, are feeling the effect of the lack of general precipitation.

Great Pond is currently 6" below full pond with both gates now completely closed. Long Pond is right at 1.68" below full with both gates also completely closed. Salmon/McGrath is also feeling the effects of the lack of rain with a level of 5" below full.

Although at times, a few showers have appeared to be a real deluge but in fact, for the past five days, we have only received .72" of rain in the rain gauge at the Wings Mill dam. And for the next 10 days, Weather Underground is forecasting more precipitation but amounting to a meager .62". Scattered showers are always preferred over the gully washers but we'll take just about anything at this point!

Yesterday, Commercial Divers, Inc. conducted an in-depth physical and underwater video survey of the one hundred and three year old Wings Mill Dam draining Long Pond. Although there are numerous leaks with any old wooden crib structure, this dam is in relatively good shape. The Dams Committee will be addressing the many concerns uncovered so hopefully we can count on another one hundred and three years of service to this great community.

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Calendar

Wednesday 6/27 through Saturday 6/30 – "Little Shop of Horrors," 474-7176, Lakewood Theater, Route 201, Madison.

Friday 6/29 - Sunday 7/12 - 3rd Annual Barrel Race, Halee Lyn Cummings Memorial, concessions, camping available, 215-7222, Silver Spur Riding Club, River Road, Route 104, Sidney.

Friday 6/29 – Old Bloomfield Cemetery Tour, Historical Tours of Skowhegan, \$5 donation per participant, 10 am, 474-6632, off Route 201 south of Skowhegan.

Friday 6/29 – Bel Sole, Johnson Hall Summer Waterfront Concert, 6-7:30 pm, Waterfront Park, Gardiner.

Saturday 6/30 – R.B. Hall Day, community bands from around the state, 9 am, 873-7000, Waterville Opera House, Main Street, Waterville.

Saturday 6/30 – Wildlife Enrichment Day, every hour on the hour watch a different species receive and react to an enrichment item which encourages natural behaviors, activity and play, 11 am-3 pm, 657-4977, Maine Wildlife Park, Gray.

Saturday 6/30 – Kennebec River Day, events for all ages: music, stage entertainment, children's activities, touch-a-truck, food, vendors, 11 am-4 pm, 623-4559, Mill Park, Water Street, Augusta.

Saturday 6/30 – Smithfield Volunteer Fire Department annual Chicken Barbecue, \$8, 11 am til gone, Main Street, Route 8, Smithfield.

Saturday 6/30 - "The True Story of Little Red," a new adaptation of the Brothers Grimm classic fairy tale, opening show, 1 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater At Monmouth, Main Street, Monmouth.

Saturday 6/30 – Kingfield POPS Concert, open air, bring chairs, blankets, line-up includes great lineup of performance plus Bangor Symphony Orchestra, Fabulous Finale fireworks, 4:30 pm, www.kingfield-pops.com, Kennedy Farm, Kingfield.

Saturday 6/30 – 19th Annual Black Fly Follies, variety show, 7:30 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, the Theater at Monmouth.

Sunday 7/1 – Bolshoi Ballet Coppelia, 12:55 pm, 873-7000, Waterville Opera House, Main Street, Waterville.

Sunday 7/1 – Snow Pond Symphony, celebration of Leonard Bernstein and John Williams, ticketed event, 6 pm, 844-476-6976, ext. 1, Bowl in the Pines, Route 23, Sidney.

Monday 7/2 - "Parker Pond's Animals Without Backbones," presented by Alene Onion, Invertebrate Biologist, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, lecture 10:30 am, nature walk 1:30 pm, free, lunch available for \$10, 293-2280, Bearnstow on Parker Pond, Mount Vernon.

Tuesday 7/3 – New England Music Camp Faculty Artist Recital, 7:30 pm, 844-476-6976 ext. 1, Alumni Hall, Snow Pond Center for the Arts, 8 Goldenrod Lane, off Route 23, Sidney.

Wednesday 7/4 - Friends on the 4th 5K - Run, Jog or Walk, sponsored by the Friends of the Cobbossee Watershed, the biggest race in central Maine, open to all, benefits programs and projects to protect and improve the 28-lake watershed, pre-register information at www.watershed-friends.com, day of race registration starts 7 am; Fireworks in Winthrop at dusk 621-4100, Norcross Point, Winthrop.

Wednesday 7/4 - Belgrade Lakes 4th of July, 9 am through Fireworks, see details

on page 19, 495-3481, Main Street, Belgrade Lakes Village.

Wednesday 7/4 - Capital City Riverfront Fourth: Activities, vendors, booths, Old Fort Western and Mill Park, see details on page 9, 626-2350, downtown Augusta.

Wednesday 7/4 - Farmington Independence Day Celebration, Rotary Club Annual Parade, 10 am, activities in town following parade, 778-4215, Main Street, Farmington.

Thursday 7/5 – Oakland Waterfront Park Concert, 6-9 pm, no dogs, boat landing Lake Messalonskee, Oakland.

Thursday 7/5 through Friday 7/6 – "Twelfth Night" by William Shakespeare, Thursday preview, Friday opens, 7:30 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater at Monmouth.

Thursday 7/5 through Sunday 7/8 – "Jenny's House of Joy," 474-7176, Lakewood Theater, Route 201, Madison.

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Augusta: Capital City Riverfront Fourth

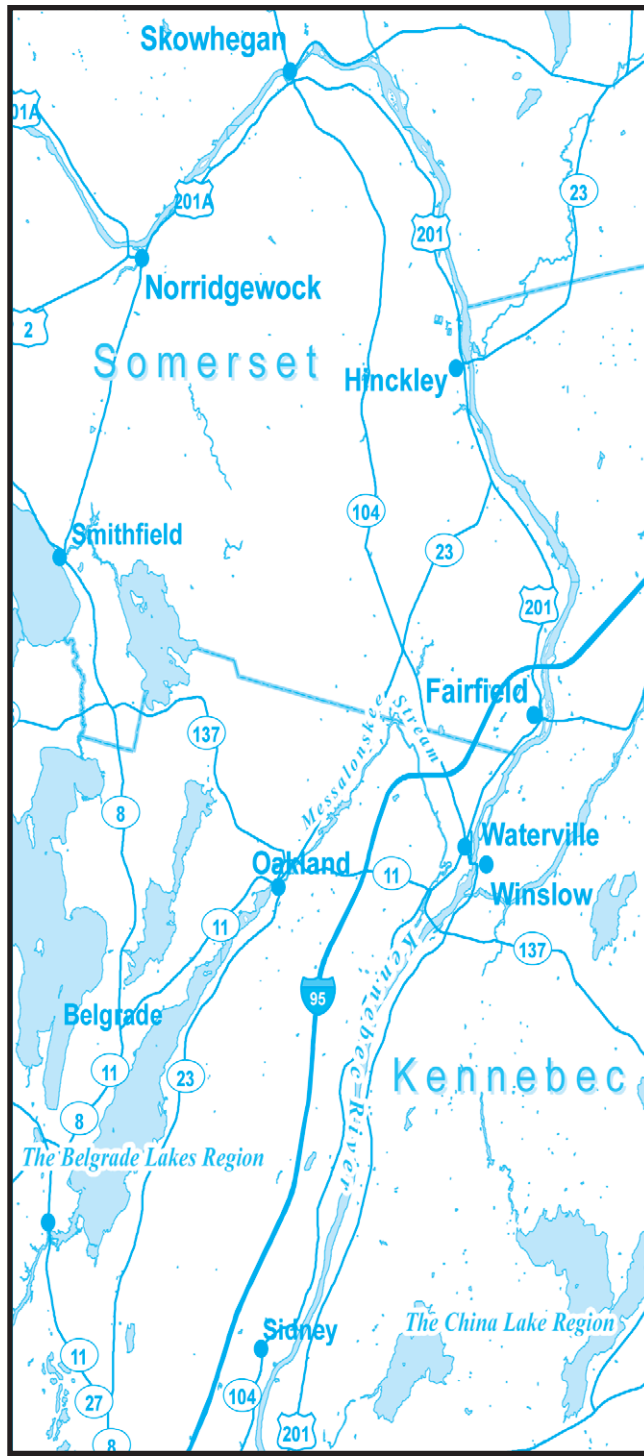
The Capital City Riverfront Fourth includes an Old Time Independence Day Celebration at Old Fort Western, Augusta's 1750 wooden fort; a parade down Water Street with its unique, historic buildings; concessions, vendors and family fun activities in Mill Park on the Kennebec, and fireworks over the mighty river after dark.

Starting at 10 am, Old Fort Western, Augusta's landmark home, fort, museum and tourist destination will be open for visitors to take part in activities, tour the site with costumed interpreters and experience life in the 1700s, including a demonstration by Revolutionary War reenactors. At noon there will be a 13-cannonfire salute, the lowering of the British colors and the raising of the American flag.

Downeast Brass will perform 2:30-4 pm at Market Square on Water Street. At 4 pm the 4th of July Parade will march from the State Capitol along State Street to Water Street to Fort Western where the reading of the Declaration of Independence will be presented by Augusta's Mayor David Rollins.

Mill Park activities, starting at 5 pm, will include bounce houses, hay rides, vendors, the farmers' market, and live music. The celebration will end at 9:15 pm with fireworks.

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Pre-registration is \$25 and open until 8:00 am on Thursday, June 28th, 2018 guaranteeing participants a free t-shirt sporting the Friend's "Spotter the Otter" race logo and a stuffed gift bag! Event day registration is \$30 with no guarantee of a free t-shirt and gift bag. Registration

will begin at 7:00 a.m. at the American Legion 117 Bowdoin Street in Winthrop, Maine. Stick around after the race for the awards ceremony and free raffle with a list of wonderful prizes!

To download a registration form or register online, visit www.watershedfriends.com, our Facebook Page, or call the Friend's office at 207-621-4100.

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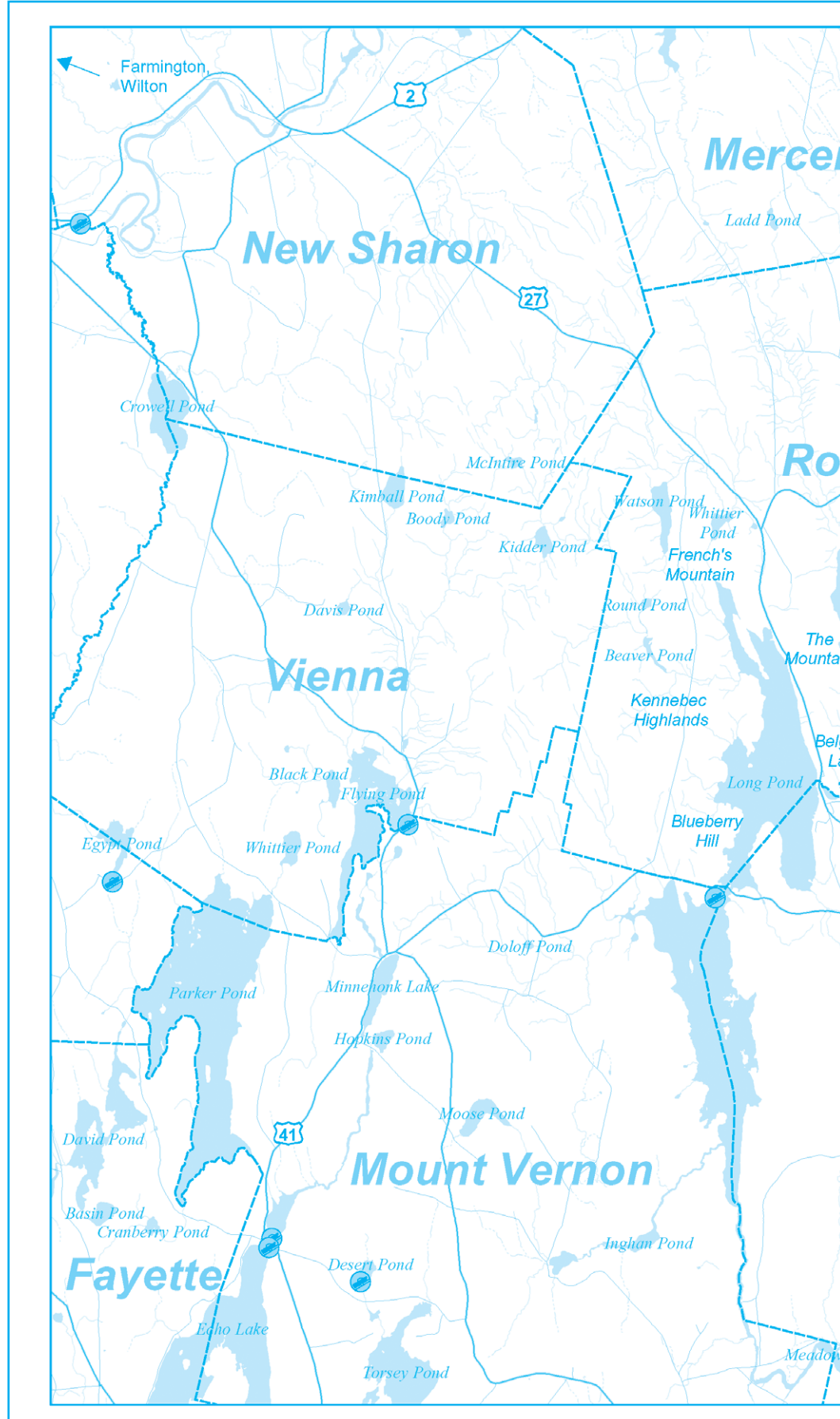
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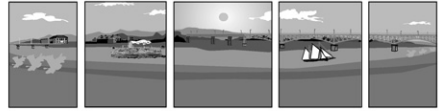
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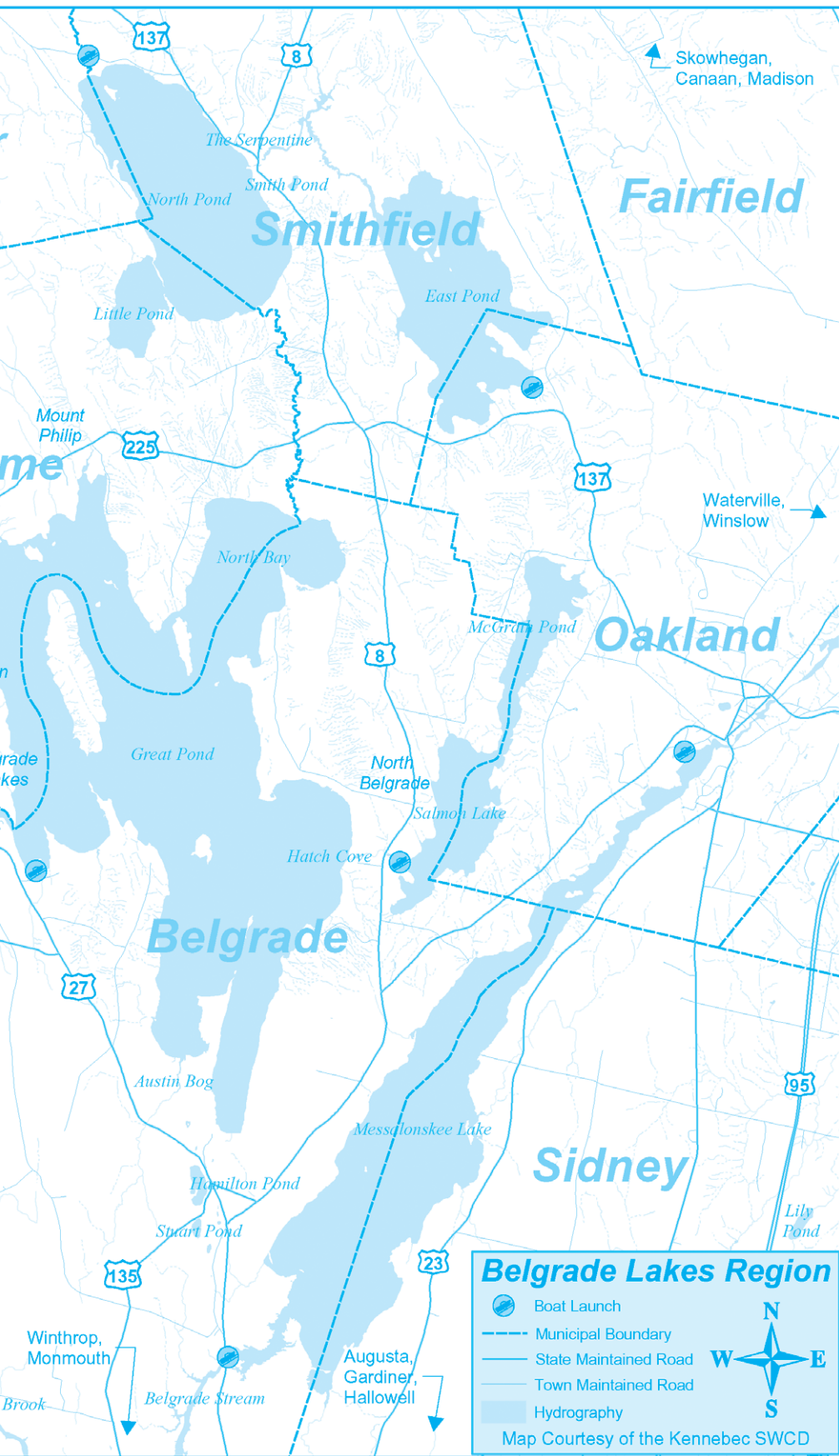


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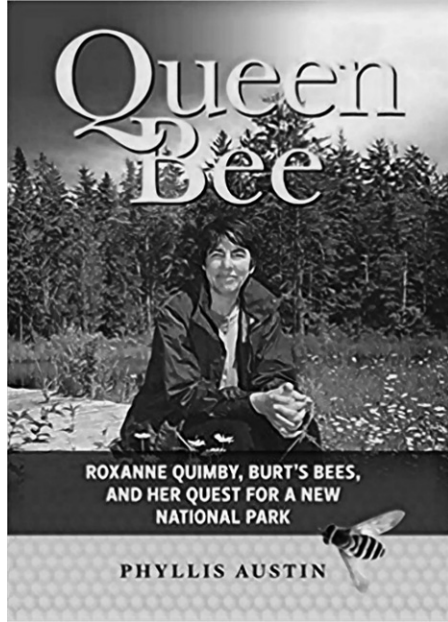
by Martha F. Barkley

"Roxanne Quimby, Burt's Bees, and Her Quest for a New National Park" was headlines last summer, 2017. This summer it was her son, Lucas St. Clair in the headlines, running for office in the recent primary election.

Practically every time you make a purchase, the famed Burt's Bees lip balm is right there at the cash register. The other evening we lit our pumpkin candle glowing in the dark on the screened in porch, listening to the lake waves hitting the rocks. A fellow reader gave these Burt's Bees souvenir candles at our Belgrade Library Book discussion because Queen Bee was her favorite history from the summer before.

Thomaston author Phyllis Austin wrote a comprehensive 2015 biography of Quimby and history of her very successful Burt's Bees business. It was not easy research. Austin persevered and gained personal access beyond the public record.

The Harvard Study alone would make Roxanne Quimby one of the most successful business women in the United States. She had the brave idea and wherewithal to move her business from Guilford, Maine to the thriving NC Raleigh Triangle. Roxanne even wanted to move her business back to her beloved Maine, but the obstacles were surmounted and the business continued to grow.



What did she do with all those profits? She sold the business and came home to Maine and bought land near where she and her husband had built their home in the woods. They had twins, a boy and a girl, in 1978. The children were raised in the back-to-the-land movement with no electricity and growing one's own food. Soon after the children were born, Roxanne found herself raising them by herself.

It is odd to read in this thorough history that the famed bearded Burt of Burt's Bees was rather uninvolved with the work of the business. He

certainly steals the show in the advertising! Roxanne credits her Russian grandmother's food stand at Revere Beach with her initial interest in natural products. The first year Quimby sold candles at an immediate yearly profit...Unusual success for a beginning.

No wonder she kept at the hard work. As a girl, she was constantly challenged by her father to match funds. When she entered the Univ. of Mass. she had to match her dad's \$5,000. No wonder she dropped out (with her live-in boyfriend) and eventually earned her degree at the San Francisco Art Institute in 1972.

Her son Lucas became politically involved in the controversial gift of land towards a new national park. Apparently Trump's sending Zinke did not change the National Monument declared by Obama. Lucas graciously conceded the primary election to Golden even though the final count is not in yet as of this date.

Read about how Roxanne, a single mother, raised her twins in the back woods of Maine. Read about her business sense and trials and final success. Read about her gift of land to Maine and Mainers and visitors who enjoy the natural beauty of our unequalled state. Read to learn the real story of accomplishment and twins who make their mother proud.



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<p>NEW LISTING-PITTSSTON — Classic New England Cape. Gorgeous updated kitchen with custom built Mahogany cabinetry, fully applianced, center bar, pantry and Granite countertops is a chef's dream! Open dining area and family room with woodstove hearth and hardwood floors. Separate DR and LR. 3-4BR (Master w/separate staircase and full bath.) Also a half bath w/laundry. Attached garage w/direct entry. Nice neighborhood convenient to Town. MLS #1357352 \$289,000</p>	<p>CHELSEA-WATERFRONT — 5.8 AC. Spacious 3 BD 2 BA ranch. Eat-in kitchen, living room and den. Massive master bedroom with private bathroom. 3 season sun-room. Finished room in the basement. 3 bay garage under the house, plus a 2 car detached garage leave plenty of room for storage, vehicles, etc. Surveyed in 2018 includes 248 feet on Togus Stream. Metal roof installed in 2012. Priced below assessed value! MLS #1354322 \$199,000</p>	<p>CHINA-LAKEFRONT LIVING — Over 760' of waterfront, 12+ acres, peaceful cove setting. Gorgeous lake views, lots of nature and wildlife. Spacious 4BR, 2.5BA Colonial home w/spectacular 1st floor cathedral FR w/built-ins, fireplace. Spacious Cherry kitchen w/breakfast nook, formal DR and LR w/HW flrs, library/den, master suite w/bath, gorgeous center foyer w/curved stairway. Lower level rec room, 3 car attached w/storage. MLS #1346281 \$549,000</p>
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— Conservation Too —

This week I'll try and focus on two methods to slow down stormwater runoff. For those of you familiar with the LakeSmart program this will seem familiar.

Why slow down stormwater? Well, when we do get a rainstorm it often arrives with a great deal of rainfall in a short period of time. Over the past few years that seems to have been more the case. All that water running off our roof, driveway or other impervious surface, rushes downhill towards the lakes. In its travel it carries various chemicals and soil particles which, once they reach the lake, add silt, phosphorus, nitrogen or other toxins to our lake water. This article will focus on two methods for slowing that stormwater; 1] vegetative buffers and 2] mulching.

Vegetative buffers are located in the path of stormwater runoff to intercept the water, slow it down and try and get the water to soak into the soils before it reaches the lake. Many of the plants in your buffer may be natural. But many properties may have most of the vegetation between their buildings and the water removed. A lawn is NOT an effective buffer. Water sheds off a lawn without being slowed much. What most properties need include plants that will serve as a ground cover, plus some smaller shrubs and then larger trees. If this type of planting needs to be added, make sure you use native plants and plants appropriate for your property. Will they get enough sun? Will they grow in your soil conditions? Will you be prepared to manage their growth as they may demand? Plant your plants in a manner to intercept the stormwater runoff. It also helps if you let the natural duff collect beneath your plants. It helps to slow runoff and soften the impact of water droplets to protect the soils beneath.

Mulch can best be used with your vegetative buffers. Erosion Control Mulch is the better type of mulch. Mulching is one of the most effective and cost efficient Best Management Practices



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(BMP's) we should work with. For stabilizing construction sites, eroded banks, and topdressing buffer plantings, mulch is great in protecting water quality.

Mulch applied to an exposed site in the right amounts will serve several functions. A primary function is to protect the underlying soil from erosion and keep soil out of a water body. A secondary function occurs when a mulched area is located on the down side of a slope towards the water. The mulch will filter out most soil particles, fertilizers or toxins found in storm water runoff. In some cases, a mulch berm between a driveway, lawn or parking lot and the water can be added to provide this filtration even if there is no exposed soil to cover. Another major benefit to mulching is the moisture holding capabilities of this product. Mulching landscaped areas with tree and shrub plantings ensures that water, either from rain or from a hose, will percolate to the roots and keep the soil cool and moist.

Mulch comes in many textures and colors. Sorting out the differences between "conservation mulch", "erosion control mulch", "bark mulch"

Buffers & Mulch

By Dale Finseth

and "wood chips" can become a daunting task. Erosion control mulch (ECM) was developed to protect soil from erosion in areas that receive high traffic, exposure to the elements or occur on steep slopes. ECM, sometimes called slope stabilizer, is not your standard landscape bark mulch. The best way to describe ECM is "chunky". While regular bark mulch is fairly fine with strands of bark no longer than 6", ECM has larger pieces of woody material, bark and small stones. These small rocks mixed in with the bark provide additional structure to the product and add weight for keeping slopes intact. One key to the effectiveness of ECM is the size and shape of the bark material. When applied, the long and thin material essentially weaves itself together and creates a kind of blanket over the soil. ECM traps plenty of moisture, like standard bark mulch. Thickness of application can vary depending upon several factors but 4-6" is average. Sites with extreme exposure to wind and water may need more while mulch berms may be 18-24" tall.

Buffer plantings plus ECM work very well. When the District installs a watershed buffer planting, ECM is what we mulch with. One important thing to remember is that 4" is too much mulch around the trunk of a tree or shrub. Remember to pull back the top 2" of material leaving 1-2" around plants. If the look of the ECM is too chunky for your taste, topdressing with an inch of standard landscaping bark mulch is fine.

Remember, there is a lot to do in working to protect water quality.

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What the Heck is a WFA?

by Jodie Mosher-Towle

What is WFA? It is a Watershed Financial Award exclusive to North and Little Pond. These ponds are surrounded by the towns of Mercer, Rome and Smithfield. The North Pond Association established the WFA as a means to award financial assistance and reward property owners for taking steps to control erosion along their shorelines. The WFA program first started when a Watershed Survey of North and Little Ponds and surrounding inlet streams was conducted in the fall of 2016. In the spring of 2017, post survey letters were mailed out to all the lake front property owners whose shorelines had some erosion issues. The first 20 owners to respond requesting information and or help from the Youth Conservation Corps qualified them for the \$150 WFA. The

respondents just needed to show proof that materials were purchased or landscapers were hired to address erosion sites. Another way for North and Little Ponders to qualify for a WFA is by attending the annual Are You Buff Enough? Workshop. The workshop takes place on Saturday, July 7 from 9am -11am at the Fairview Grange #342 in the Village of Smithfield. The attendees show proof, usually through receipts for materials that they indeed made some "Buff Enough" changes and improvements (also known as best management practices - BMPs) to their North or Little Pond property. (This workshop is open to the public but you must live on North or Little Pond to receive the WFA.) BUT... Each participant leaves with a FREE buffer plant to get

them started on their project(s) along with incredible informational materials!

To date, the NPA has paid out over \$1,000 to property owners either through the post survey letter, or by attending the Buffer Workshop. There are more property owners waiting for work to begin by the YCC or planning to install BMPs themselves this summer who all qualified last year to receive a WFA. The NPA has not forgotten you! Let's hope that your shoreline projects can be started and even completed this summer.

For more information, updates or questions, please feel free to contact Linda Rice, NPA Secretary at (207) 313-2494 or email lin-darice74@yahoo.com





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Notebook

Lake Stewards of Maine (VLMP)

• Lake stewards and friends are invited to the annual conference on Saturday, July 28, at The Great Outdoors in Turner. Come prepared to bid on the silent auction items and hear the following speakers/presenters: Steve Norton, Geochemist, UMaine – findings of recent research regarding the unanticipated severe algal bloom in Lake Auburn in 2012; Roberta Hill (LSM) – Healthy Vegetated Buffers; Linda Bacon (MDEP) and Scott Williams (LSM) – An Overview of Maine Lake Water Quality in 2017; Billy Helprin (Director Somes-Meynell Wildlife Sanctuary) and Jesse Wheeler (Acadia National Park) – Holding the Line Against Aquatic Invaders on Mount Desert Island. 783-7733

On Friday, June 29, 10 am-2:30 pm, at the Lake Stewards Center for Citizen Lake Science there will be a Watershed Survey Training Workshop on how to identify, monitor and mitigate ways in which watershed land use influences lake water quality. 783-7733

Augusta

• Come join Capital Area Recreation Association and Augusta Recreation Bureau for the 3rd Annual Girls Basketball Skills Clinic/League, grades 5-8, at the John Bridge Basketball Courts on the Piggery Road (CARA Complex), Mondays and Wednesdays 6-8 pm, July 9-30. Guest coaches include: 7/9 – Adam Rich, Coney Girls BB Coach; 7/11 – Karen Magnuson, former Cony Girls BGB Coach; 7/16 – Jen Laney, UMA Women's Basketball Coach; 7/18 – Julie Veilleux, former Colby College Women's BB Coach; 7/23 – Langston Ware, former BB Coach Liberty HS, Lunchburg, VA; 7/25 – Mark Byron Veteran IAABO Basketball Official; 7/30 – tba. All participants must be registered before the clinic begins. 626-2350

Belgrade

• Uptah Camp, a multi-media presentation of Maine Sporting Camps by Bernard Fishman of the Maine State Museum will be presented Thursday, July 19 at 7 pm at the Maine Lakes Resource Center, 137 Main Street, Belgrade Lakes. The event is sponsored by the Belgrade Historical Society. Belgradehistoricalsociety.org

• Tickets are now available for Winterberry Farm annual Farm to Table dinner scheduled for Sunday, July 15. Stop by the farm on Route 27 where the farm stand is open daily, 9 am-6 pm. 649-3331

Gardiner

• The Wall That Heals, Vietnam Veterans Memorial Replica & Mobile Education Center will be on the Gardiner Common, 2 Dresden Avenue on July 19 through July 22. The half-scale traveling replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C. consists of the replica Wall, mobile Education Center, and information tent. The exhibit is open to the public day and night throughout the visit. A digital kiosk will allow visitors to view the Wall of Faces webpage for each name or search for names. No rubbings are allowed. 202-393-0090

Hinckley

• Summer Day Camps at L.C. Bates Museum will be hosted throughout the summer. July sessions include Time Travel Camp, Safari Camp, Camp Rock, and Astronomy Camp. August camps will include Very Young Naturalists Camp, Science Buddies (STEAM Camp) and Junior Curators Camp. 2389-4250

Monmouth

• Theater at Monmouth's 2018 Summer Repertory Season continues with William Shakespeare's "Twelfth Night." In this irresistible romantic comedy of mistaken identity, concealed truth and comic revelation, the party rages, the laughter flows, and the festive music play on. Orsino loves Olivia, Olivia loves Cesario. Cesario's really a woman disguised as a man who's fallen for her boss, Orsino. The revelry begins Thursday, July 5 at 7:30 pm and continues throughout the season with matinee and evening performances on weekdays and weekends.

Oakland

• The Oakland-Sidney Methodist Church, West School Street will hold their annual Turkey Suppers on Wednesday, July 11 and Wednesday, August 8, 5-7 pm. Dinner includes roast turkey and all the trimmings and homemade pies. Adults \$10, children 6-12 \$5.

Skowegan

• Free outdoor family movie nights at Coburn Park will be held on Tuesdays as follows: July 10 – Paddington 2; July 17 – Wonder; July 24 – Despicable Me 3; July 31 – Emoji; August 7 – Coco. Bring blankets, chairs, kids, snacks. Thanks to MSAD 54, 100 free meals for under the age of 18 will be available at some concerts. Thanks to Kennebec Valley Community Action Program Transportation a route has been include on the fun bus that will have a drop off and pick up at the movies for those unable to drive. 474-3621

Smithfield

• Smithfield Maine Historical Society is having a Pancake Breakfast/Bake Sale on Saturday, July 21, 7 am-9:30 am at the Smithfield Baptist Church – which



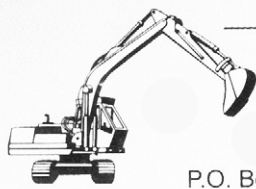
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• **Winterberry Farm Café**, homemade treats, pie, cookies, granola bars, grilled organic cheese sandwiches, veggies, drinks, Route 27, Belgrade, 649-3331

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is next door to the historical society building (The Groves House). Cost is \$7 per person. An Open House Art Display at "The Groves House" will be held 8 am-1 pm. 578-0226

Waterville

• Volunteers are needed for the Mid-Maine Homeless Shelter at 19 Colby Street. Volunteers can help in the kitchen, answer phones, clean, provide child care and do maintenance. There will be a training session on Sunday, August 12, 2-4 pm at the shelter. 872-8082

• Community Day at the Colby College Museum of Art will be held on Sunday, July 15, noon to 2 pm. Enjoy refreshments, art making for all ages,

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games, docent-led tours and live music by Gent Treadly. 859-5600.

• The Maine International Film Festival (MIFF) is pleased to announce the release of its 2018 MIFF Program Guide at www.MIFF.org. The 2018 guide contains a full list of Festival films, with details on signature MIFF events including the Opening Night celebration, the Centerpiece Gala and the Closing Night ceremonies as well as information on the Lifetime Achievement Award recipient, Dominique Sanda. The guide is available on a mobile-first, smartphone-friendly platform, allowing Festival attendees to take full advantage of the new free downtown Waterville WIFI. www.MIFF.org

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icated volunteer for Avian Haven, who transported the loon to Avian Haven (207-382-6761) for treatment. Avian Haven (www.avianhaven.org) is a wild bird rehabilitation center in Freedom, Maine, that has helped rescue over 15,000 birds since 1999. The story had a happy ending as Rob later transported the loon back to the lake after treatment and released it. Avian Haven is a great organization and I encourage you to visit their web site to learn about their work (and perhaps make a donation) and contact them if you find a bird in trouble. This incident is a vivid reminder of the importance of fishing "lead-free" and properly disposing of all fishing line. It is also a reminder of how many dedicated volunteers help take care of this special place in different ways.

I had one of my oldest friends visiting this week from Michigan and we spent time fishing

on Long Pond and on the Kennebec with Mike. The day on the Kennebec was spectacular, with lots of fish but even more impressive, schools of herring and stripers in the river, and at least a dozen eagles soaring around or having lunch along the shoreline. Over the course of the day, we had at least twenty giant sturgeon leap out of the river within a couple hundred feet of our boat. All in all, a really special experience that will live on in our memories (and I suspect the fish will continue to grow!)

This area offers some great outdoor recreation, whether you like to hike, bike, birdwatch, fish, sail, or paddle a canoe or kayak. Pick up a map of the local trails at Day's Store or from the 7 Lakes Alliance at the Maine Lakes Resource Center (MLRC). And make sure you take a kid along on your next outdoor adventure. Also,

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please check the 7-LA FaceBook page for details on some interesting events scheduled this summer (<https://www.facebook.com/belgradelakes/>). They will have presentations on managing your woods for birds by Maine Audubon (June 27 please pre-register), Owls of

Maine (July 6, 2PM) plants (July 18th), and a talk by Matt Scott on bees and native pollinators (July 11 5:30 PM) and one by Lloyd Irland on Maine Forestry (July 25 at 5:30). There will be many other interesting events through the summer. Check the web site and keep an eye on the sign out front.



Steve Jurmu playing a fish on an island in the Kennebec River.

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— Upcoming —

JULY

- "Owls of Maine" will be presented by staff from Chewonki on Friday, July 6, 2 pm at the Maine Lakes Resource Center, Main Street, Belgrade Lakes. 495-3617
- On Friday, July 6, at the Harlow Gallery in Hallowell, opening reception for the July exhibit "Construction/Deconstruction" 5-7 pm and the opening for "Dog Days" running July 6-14. 622-3813
- The Belgrade Lakes Association Adopt-A-Shoreline Program will hold a training session on Monday, July 9, at 3 pm at the Maine Lakes Resource Center in Belgrade Lakes. 495-6039
- Le Festival de la Bastille, family fun and live music, under 18 free, is scheduled for Friday and Saturday, July 13 and 14, at Pete Gagne Fields, Old Belgrade Road, Augusta.
- The Maine International Film Festival will be held in Waterville July 13-22 and offers opportunities for sponsors, volunteers and ticket-holder packages. Miff.org

• The Annual 5K Road Race to benefit the Belgrade Public Library will be on Saturday, July 14, 8 am, at the Belgrade Central School. 465-3524

• The 5th Annual Public Drive Thru Chicken Barbecue at the Unity United Methodist Church will be held on Saturday, July 14, 11:30 am til gone, \$9. 948-2455

• A walking tour of historic Skowhegan Falls/Island will be held on Friday, July 20, at 10 am. 474-6632

• Go to Rome on Saturday, July 21, for the Mt. Philip Grange monthly bean supper, 4:30-6 pm, all you can eat, corner of Routes 225 and 27.

• In Oakland fun, food, a parade, an open air market, family activities and more are scheduled at OakFest, July 27-29. www.oakfestmaine.com

AUGUST

• The quarterly Gardiner Artwalk will be held on Friday, August 3, 5:30-8:30 pm at studios and businesses along historic Water Street. 582-3100

• Saturday August 4 is the date of the Belgrade Fire & Rescue's Annual Beanhole Supper, 5-7 pm, at the Belgrade Community Center for All Seasons.

• Taste of Waterville – food, vendors, activities, music - will be held Wednesday, August 8, starting 11 am. 873-3315

• The Oakland Alumni Association Banquet will be on Saturday, August 11 at the Waterville Elks Club.

• August 22-26, the 51st Blistered Fingers Family Bluegrass Music Festival will be held at Litchfield Fairgrounds with 12 bands, Kids Academy, camping, food, field pickin' and more. Children 16 and under free with adult. 873-6539

SEPTEMBER

• On Saturday, September 1, the Skowhegan Craft Brew Festival will be held in downtown Skowhegan, with tasting, tours and a VIP (over 21 only) tent. www.skowhegan-craftbrewfest.com

• Run For The Horses 5K to benefit Double B Equine Rescue will be Monday, September 3 near Lake Wesserunett in Madison.

• The Maine Preservation Gala in support of preserving Maine places that matter will be Friday, September 7 at the Portland Masonic, 415 Congress Street. 847-3577

• The Common Ground Country Fair will be Friday through Sunday, September 21-23 in Unity. 568-4142



L.C. Bates Offers Science, History, and Art Summer Camps

Does your child have the natural curiosity of a scientist? The L.C. Bates Museum is holding a series of camps this summer to spark the interests of children by being outside investigating the natural world. Kids will go on safaris to learn how to track an animal, look at the sun through telescopes and build things in nature as structurally sound as a beaver dam. They experience history first hand by throwing spears just like the Native Americans did, they get to use a historic printing press, and go on an archaeological dig.

Each day begins at 9:00 a.m. and ends at either noon or 2:00 p.m. (Children attending camps that end at 2:00 should bring a bag lunch.) Except for the Time Travel Camp, each camp runs Monday through Friday. They vary in cost from \$35 to \$110 for the week. A brief description of each camp follows:

Time Travel Camp, July 5-6: Travel back in time and discover history through lots of hands-on activities. Campers go on an archeological dig and use Native American tools like a bow drill, and spear thrower. Learn how Maine kids in the early 1900s dressed, played, and worked! (\$35, Ages 6-12, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.)

Safari Camp, July 9-13: Go on a safari to find different species in nature including all of the animals at our pond! Time to put those tracking senses to the test! Design a diorama and bring home your own favorite (toy) species. (\$110, Ages 6-12, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.)

Camp Rock!, July 16-20: Campers will learn about glaciers and how our planet Earth was formed. Explore fossils! Create a shoreline town and see what we could do to protect it from erosion. Bring your Minecraft skills to explore rocks through art and hands on projects. (\$110, Ages 6-12, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.)

Astronomy Adventures Camp, July 23-27: Campers begin with exploring the basics of our solar system through the use of our telescopes and find the

answers to questions like, "What lies under the surface of the icy moon?" with activities sent from NASA! Plus we will be releasing a weather balloon into the atmosphere to test for radiation this week! (\$65, Ages 6-15, 9 a.m. – Noon)

Very Young Naturalist Camp (NEW!), July 30 – August 3: This is a special camp for our younger scientists, ages 4 -6 years old. Campers get to investigate creatures in there habitats with nets in hand! (\$65, Ages 4-6, 9 a.m. – Noon)

Science Buddies (STEAM camp), August 6-10: Our summer science programs let children become junior scientists and embark on a series of science adventures. STEAM is a popular acronym for "Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math," designed to demonstrate their interconnectedness. (\$110, Ages 6-12, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.)

Junior Curators Camp, August 13-17: Campers work in depth with museum collections, and make their own mini collections to bring home. Learn more about the mystery of conservation and collection care. Children become docents and give real tours of the museum to our visitors too! (\$65, Ages 7-17, 9 a.m. – Noon)

The L.C. Bates Museum is located on Route 201 in Hinckley, Maine on the campus of Good Will-Hinckley. For more information about the camps of the museum's other programs, call 238-4250 or write to lbates@gwh.org.



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Happening Around Town



9 – 2 ~**Book Sale** at the Belgrade Center for All Seasons Sponsored by: The Friends of the Belgrade Public Library

9 - 3 ~ **15' Fishing Boat Raffle** ~Belgrade Lakes Assoc. Across from Day's Store Funds raised go to pay for BLA water quality programs

10 - 2 ~**Antique Boats** along the Mill Stream

10 - 3 ~**The 1830 House** – Many USA made Artisan Displays, Original Artwork and Free Lemonade

10 - 3 ~**Maine Lakes Resource Center** ~ Conservation & Water Quality Display ~Pop-up Natural History Museum

10-2~ **Day's Store**~ Celebrating 60 Years in Business and 4 Generations of Family and Employees Sidewalk Sale * Cotton Candy * Photo Booth * Pulled Pork Sliders * and MORE!

11 - 7 ~ **H.J. BLAKE'S for Goodness Sakes**~ 945 West Rd. Stop by and enjoy some amazing food!

11:30 - 3:00 ~**Union Church Strawberry Festival** ~ hot dog sale and activities.

11:30 – 3:30~**The Village Inn** ~ Lunch in The Tavern on the stream! The perfect place to watch the Boat Parade!

12:00~ **Boat Parade** ~ Line-up at the mouth of the Mill Stream on Great Pond at 11:30.

12-4~ **Happy Girl**~ Vintage photo booth

1 - 2 ~**Free Ice Cream Social**~ at The Belgrade Lakes Center For all Seasons.

2-4 ~ **Joy M. Intriago**~ Fresh Ella's Ice Cream, **FREE** to the first 100 people!

2-6 ~**Lakeside at Day's Store** ~ The Bishop Avenue Band, great music with a break to watch the parade!

4:00 ~STREET PARADE ~

Everyone welcome!

Decorate your bike or make a Family Float!

Parade music sponsored by Douglas Title Co.

3:00 ~Parade Line-up for all vehicles and floats at Rome Farm (Rt 27 north of Belgrade Lakes Village) 3:30 ~Parade Line-up for all bikes and marchers South of Rome farms

5:00 FROG JUMPING CONTEST

~BYOF ~ **Bring your own frog!** At Main St. & Hulin Rd. Sponsored by the Belgrade Health Center

9:15pm FIREWORKS!! Over Long Pond

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Enjoy all the Belgrade Lakes Region has to offer year round in this quaint, recently renovated 3 bedroom home! With short walk to Long Pond beach access, walking distance to the heart of the village and all its amenities. MLS#1352800 \$189,900



Spectacular sunsets on Great Pond! Nice shore frontage, with large yard. Ranch style home with 3 Bedrooms & 3.5 Baths, nice deck overlooking the water and 2 car garage, with lots of storage space & partially finished walkout basement! MLS#1356686 \$395,000



Custom built, year-round, 4 bedroom Chalet on Great Pond with 2 car garage and finished living space above. Cathedral ceilings, lots of storage, stone fireplace, wood/tile floors, custom woodwork throughout, screened in porch, office space in loft, sandy frontage & dock/mooring plus great level yard. Outstanding views from every room! MLS# 1357260 \$675,000

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